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- 1. IN OUR VIEW, GOC WOULD BE RECEIVING ABOUT WHAT IT HAD ANTICIPATED AS TREATMENT FROM UN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION, IF RESOLUTIONS ALONG LINES OF DRAFTS INCLUDED REFTEL WERE ADOPTED BY COMMISSION. WHILE CHARGE THAT TORTURE IN GOC IS "INSTITUTIONALIZED" STILL RETAINS SOME OF ITS ORIGINAL STING, REMAINING BROAD-SPECTRUM CRITICISM OF CHILEAN HUMAN RIGHTS PRACTICES IS NOW A FAMILIAR LITANY. CHILEAN GOVERNMENT AND PRESS WILL INVEIGH AGAINST IT, BUT WILL BE RELIEVED THAT NOWHERE IS THERE ANY SUGGESTION OF SANCTIONS AGAINST CHILE. SPECIALISTS WILL ALSO NOTE THAT WHAT IS CONDEMNED IS TORTURE, AND NOT THE GOC ITSELF.
- 2. WHILE WE RETAIN OUR RESERVATIONS ABOUT SINGLING OUT CHILE AS THE RECIPIENT OF AN EXHORTATION TO BRING ITS HUMAN RIGHTS PRACTICES UP TO SCRATCH, WE BELIEVE THAT IN LIGHT OF ALL THAT HAS HAPPENED IN THE PAST, USDEL SHOULD SUPPORT A RESOLUTION COVERING POINTS MADE IN THE GENERAL DRAFT. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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